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TO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF

SUBJECT: UNHCR AND SAHARA REFUGEES

REF: ALGIERS 2641

1. PROLONGED DEBATE ON SAHRAOUI REFUGEE SITUATION TOOK PLACE AT RECENT UNHCR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SESSION BETWEEN REPS OF ALGERIA, MOROCCO AND MAURETANIA. DISCUSSION HAD A HIGH POLITICAL CONTENT AND DID NOT LEAD TO ANY PARTICULAR CONCLUSIONS.

2. ALGERIAN DELEGATION DISCUSSED NEED FOR MATERIAL ASSISTANCE FROM UNHCR AND MOROCCO ARGUED THAT REFUGEES COULD BE REPATRIATED AS BEST SOLUTION. U.S. DELEGATION WAS INFORMED THAT UNHCR IS NOT DISPOSED TO TAKE ANY FURTHER ACTION ON REFUGEE ASSISTANCE UNTIL GOA SORTS OUT OFFER OF FOOD FROM WFP. ALGERIAN REP WAS INFORMED OF THIS OUTSIDE THE MEETING.

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3. THROUGHOUT SIX DAY MEETING ISSUE KEPT CROPPING UP AS EACH OF THE THREE DELEGATIONS INSISTED ON REPLYING TO PRECEDING INTERVENTION. NO OTHER DELEGATIONS SPOKE ON THE MATTER NOR DID HIGH COMMISSIONER SPEAK.

4. FULLER DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED WHEN THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS RECEIVED. VANCE

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